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Letter dated 19 May 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Honduras to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you, herewith, the statement by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of my country concerning the denunciation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons by the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this note and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 71 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Juan José CUEVA
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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ANNEX

Statement by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Honduras concerning the denunciation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons by the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

The Government of the Republic of Honduras expresses its deep concern at the decision of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to denounce the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and the Agreement concerning safeguards.

The position taken by the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea jeopardizes peace and security in the Korean peninsula at a moment in history when progress had been made in the process of denuclearization and when the treaty on the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons had been signed.

This position is a clear violation of the safeguard principles in effect in the international community, and for this reason, the Government of the Republic of Honduras urges the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to reconsider its decision and to fulfil the commitments undertaken earlier in the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons.